

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of   | : | Timo Hillebrand, et al.   |
| Application Serial No. | : | 10/534,387  |
| Filing Date            | : | November 22, 2005   |
| Title                  | : | Novel Buffer Formulations for<br>Isolating, Purifying and Recovering<br>Long-Chain and Short-Chain<br>Nucleic Acids |
| Confirmation No.       | : | 2884  |
| Group Art Unit         | : | 1637  |
| Examiner               | : | Mark Staples  |

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed on November 20, 2008. This paper is filed within two (2) months of the mailing of that final Office Action. Therefore, an Advisory Action is requested. It is believed that no extension is necessary to make this response timely. If an extension is necessary, kindly grant one and deduct the fee for same from Deposit Account No. 02-4800 in the name of Buchanan Ingersoll PC. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 3.